I.C.P.O. Bulletin

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"Islands, Castles & Portable Operations"
Listing is by calendar date (day/month/year)
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09/03/2012: Gert, ZS6AYU, is currently active from Roma, Lesotho as 7P8GF until 13 March, 2012. QRV on 40-10m CW only. QSL via ZS6AYU. [dx-world.net]

09/03/2012: Patrice, F1GHY, is currently active from Wallis island [aka Uvea] (OC-054, DIFO FW-001, WLOTA 0389) as FW/F1GHY. Length of stay unknown. Look for him on 20 SSB, running 100w into a long wire antenna. QSL via home call. [dx-world.net]

09/03/2012: Michael, DF8AN, plans activity from Roatan island (NA-057, WLOTA 1671) and Utila island (NA-057) between 9-26 March, 2012. Look for him mostly on CW. QSL via home call, direct or Bureau. [dx-world.net]

09/03/2012: Zbig, SQ9CXC and Kris, SP9UPK will be active as SP9YFF/7 from the Bukowa Gora Nature Reserve (WFF SPFF-327) and Castle Chelmo (WCA ref. 00120, ZWP ref. CRE-04, WW Loc. JO91UB), Wielgomlyny District, on 9 March, 2012. They will start in the afternoon, work for about 6 hours, SSB only, with 100W and wire antenna. QSL via SP9YFF (see QRZ.com). [SP9UPK]

10/03/2012: Stefan, DL7AOS, will once again be using the special callsign 5P5K from Romo Island (EU-125, DIA NS-001, Grid Loc. JO45), Denmark, from 10-24 March 2012. Activity will be on 80-6 metres using a FT-857 with a 1kW amp into a vertical antenna near the beach. He will also be operating in the Russian DX Contest (17-18 March) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via DL7AOS, direct (QRZ.com) or Bureau. [OPDX Bulletin]

10/03/2012: Take, JI3DST, will be active as 9M2/JI3DST from West Malaysia between 0000z, 10 March and 0900z, 11 March, 2012. QRV on 80-6 metre CW, SSB and FM (no RTTY/PSK). In case of heavy rain or other conditions, the operation's condition may vary. QSL via JI3DST, bureau preferred. [OPDX Bulletin]

11/03/2012: Operators Walter DJ6QT, Uwe DL8OBF, Alex RA1AGL, Elena RC5A, Andrey RM2M, Paul RN3A, Sergey UA1ANA and Gena UA9MA will be active from Santana, Madeira Island (AF-014, DIP MA-001, PIP MD-001, WLOTA 0053) as CT9/homecalls from 11-26 March, 2012. Their main focus will be a Multi-Two entry in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (24-25 March) from CQ zone 33, using the callsign CQ3L (QSL via DJ6QT). QSL via home calls. [NG3K]

12/03/2012: Andy, DK5ON (EPC #11731, DMC #03870), will be active as PJ2/DK5ON from the island of Curacao (SA-099, WLOTA 0942, Grid Loc. FK52) from 12-30 March, 2012. Plans are to be QRV on 40-6m SSB, RTTY, PSK and CW. Andy will be using TS 480 SAT at 100W, 10/15/20/40 Dipole + WARC 12/17, +Buddipole, +Buddystick, +Long Wire. QSL via home call, driect or Bureau. No eQSL! Website: www.qrz.com/db/DK5ON [dx-world.net]

12/03/2012: Claudia, DO5NEN and Tom, DL5NEN will be operating from Mahe Island (WLOTA 3286) and La Digue Island (WLOTA 3066), Seychelle Islands (AF-024), from the 12th to 28th of March, 2012 with the call S79NEN, while on their honeymoon. They will also be active during the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest (24-25 March). QSL via DO5NEN. [DXCoffee]

14/03/2012: Barney, ZS4U (ZS6TQ), will be active as 9Q6/ZS4U from the Democratic Republic of Congo (Grid Loc. KI16) between 14 March and 8 April, 2012. QRV on 40-6m CW, SSB and PSK, between 1300-1500 UTC daily, as work permits. QSL via K3IRV, direct preferred, Bureau ok. [dx-world.net]

14/03/2012: Retu, OH4MDY, will once again be active as XV2RZ from Southeast Vietnam between 14 March and 16 April, 2012. QRV on 80-6 metre CW and SSB. However, Retu states that this time he will focus on the Digital modes. QSL only direct via OH4MDY with a SASE and 2 USDs. Online log search will be available at: www.clublog.org/ [OPDX Bulletin]

15/03/2012: Aki, JA1NLX, will be active as 3D2YA from Yangeta Island (OC-156), Fiji, from 15-21 March 2012. QRV on 80-10m, mainly CW with some SSB and RTTY. Equipment: FT-857D/100w, Vertical Dipole, Bravo-5 by N6BT for 14 - 28MHz and Random wire with ATU for other bands. QSL via home call, Bureau or direct (SASE with 1 IRC or 2 US$). Full details can be found at: ja1nlx-aki.blogspot.com/ [dx-world.net]

15/03/2012: Look for Axel, DL6KVA, to be active from Baku, Azerbaijan Republic, as 4K0CW from 15-20 March, 2012. Activity will include an entry in the Russian DX Contest (17-18 March). Outside the contest Axel will be QRV on all HF bands, CW only. QSL via home call. [NG3K]

15/03/2012: Peter, EI7CC, will again be QRV as 7P8PB from the Kingdom of Lesotho between 15 March and 3 April, 2012. As before this is part of a family holiday. Logs will be uploaded on a daily basis to LoTW and ClubLog if at all possible. QSL is via EI7CC direct or via the EI bureau. [dx-world.net]

15/03/2012: An Indian team plan to be active as AT2DW from Bet Shankhodar Island (AS-175) between 15-30 March, 2012. This island group has never been activated before and plans are to be QRV on 80-10 metre CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via VU2SWS, direct or Bureau. Further information and updates can be found on their website at: www.dxcoffee.com/at2dw [dx-world.net]

16/03/2012: Mike, RA9FW and Igor, UA9CDC will be active from Le Calao, Somone, Senegal, as 6V7Z from 16-28 March, 2012. They will also take part in Russian DX Contest and CQ WPX SSB, Multi-Single entry. QSL via RA9FW. [dx-world.net]

16/03/2012: Ric, DL2VFR, and others will operate CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK31 as DM50IOTA from Fehmarn Island (EU-128, GIA/DID O-001, WLOTA 0637, DOK I25) on 16-18 March, 2012. The special callsign is to celebrate the IOTA 50th Anniversary Marathon 2012/2013. QSL via DL2VFR, Bureau preferred. [425 DX News]

16/03/2012: Magne, LA2XNA (JW2XNA) and Jon, LA8HGA (JW8HGA) will be QRV on 160-10m with emphasis on the higher bands between 16-20 March 2012 from Spitsbergen Island (EU-026, WLOTA 0125), Svalbard. Look for JW2XNA on SSB/PSK31/63 and JW8HGA on CW. QSL via home calls, direct or Bureau. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW. [NG3K]

16/03/2012: Matt, K0KKO and Ed, K0GUV plan to be active from Ilheu das Rolas (AF-023, WLOTA 1622, WW Loc. JI39GX), Sao Tome & Principe using the callsigns of S92DX, S9CW and S9SX on HF and 6m. QRV from 16-23 March, 2012. They will have two 6m stations (1 - IC756PROIII, ACOM1000, 8ele M2 (also used for EME); 2 - IC756PROIII, 1KW Amp TBD, 11ele short boom). Operating frequency of 50.105 MHz SSB, 50.105.7 MHz CW. Website: www.k0kko.net/pb/wp_5bd6e10c/wp_5bd6e10c.html [dx-world.net]

16/03/2012: Enrique, XE2AA and nine other operators will be active as XF1AA from Isla Isabela (NA-189, WFF XEFF-043) on 16-21 March, 2012. They plan to operate SSB, CW and the Digital modes. QSL via IT9EJW. [425 DX News]

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LOOKING AHEAD -

17/03/2012: Esteban, XQ7UP, will be QRV from Coyhaique (Patagonia), Chile, between 17-25 March 17, 2012. QRV holiday style on the HF bands using mostly SSB, RTTY and PSK31. He will be active in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (24-25 March). QSL via home call. [dx-world.net]

19/03/2012: David GI4FUM, Gilli GI8MIV, Richard GI4DOH and Kalle DM3BJ fly out to Cape Town arriving on 14th March. They will drive up to Oranjemund on 18th and begin operating on 19th. Their callsigns are now confirmed as V5/GI4FUM, V5/GI8MIV, V5/GI4DOH and V5/DM3BJ. They will be operating from the QTH of Andre V51B. Andre has received a new ring gear for his rotator and is building a new 2 element Quad which will be QRV by the time the team arrive. Richard GI4DOH plans to operate on CW and David GI4FUM and Kalle DM3BJ will concentrate on RTTY and PSK31. David and Gillian will also be on SSB. The team will be QRV for CQWW WPX SSB on 24th/25th March with the callsign V55B. All QSLs for the operation should go via David GI4FUM who is QTHR. Website: www.3da0ss.net/ [GI4FUM]

24/03/2012: Look for Jaime, WP3A, to be active as EF8C from Tenerife Island (DIE S-012, WLOTA 1276, EAA TF), Canary Islands (AF-004), during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (24-25 March) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry from CQ zone 33. QSL via EB7DX. [NG3K]

24/03/2012: Luis, HI8LAM, will be active from Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic (NA-096, WLOTA 2974), in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (24-25 March) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL direct only (QRZ.com). [NG3K]

24/03/2011: Bill, VE6BF, of Beaumont, Alberta, Canada, has been authorized to use the special callsign VC6Z from 24 March until 27 May 2012. The use of this special call will be for the CQWW WPX SSB (24-25 March) and the CQWW WPX CW Contests (26-27 May). QSL via VE6BF. [RAC]

25/03/2012: Bob, ZL1RS, plans a 6m DXpedition to Duncombe Bay (WW Loc. RG30XX), Norfolk Island (OC-005, WFF VKFF-392, WLOTA 1469), using the callsign VK9N/ZL1RS, between 25 March and 8 April, 2012. QRV on 50.110 MHz SSB and 50.1106 MHz CW, using IC706mk2g, HB PA 400W and HB stacked Yagis. Bob will also be on 6m EME, but at moonrise and moonset only (50.190 JT65A). Note: Bob plans 6m activity from Niue (ZK2) from early September to mid-November 2012. QSL via home call. Further information can be found on his website at: www.qsl.net/zl1rs/vk9n.html [dx-world.net]

07/04/2012: Hrane, YT1AD, will travel in the month of April to Fiji, Samoa and American Samoa for the preparation of the upcoming expedition to Conway Reef in September, 2012. During this trip he will be active as KH8/N9YU from the QTH of AH8LG located in Pago Pago, Tutuila Island, American Samoa (OC-045) between 7-9 April and as 5W7A from Apia, Samoa (OC-097) from 9-11 April. The last destination of his trip is visit to the island of Rotuma (OC-060) with Tevita Rokobaro, 3D2TR from Fiji Ministry of tourism and communications. During this visit will help students Rotuma High School 3D2RI club station with new donations, antenna rotor, donated by K6MKF and HF LPA 500W, donated by Hrane, YT1AD. While on Rotuma he will use the callsign 3D2R between 13-20 April. QSL via YT1AD. [dx-world.net]

08/04/2012: The "Buddies in the Caribbean" mini-DXpedition group is off to the island of Montserrat (NA-103, WLOTA 1475) from 8-16 April, 2012 with a new group of operators who have never experienced the "other side of a pileup"! Because of severe baggage limits on the Antigua to Montserrat flight (one bag under 50 lbs!), they will be limited to 100 watt or less low power radios and the

Buddipole portable antenna systems. Yet their goal is to demonstrate "ultralite" dxpeditioning into magnificent "vista" locations, operating a field portable battery-only radio with backpackable, lightweight antennas and most of all "having fun" on the "volcano isle". The eight operators are: Budd VP2MFF (W3FF), Guy VP2MUN (N7UN), Paul VP2MVO (KB9AVO), Larry VP2MLR (W7DGP), Russ VP2MQR (N7QR), Tom VP2MTM (K2GSJ), and Chris VP2MYZ (N2YYZ). There will be several villa stations in operation on 160-10m using CW, SSB, and RTTY or PSK. At the same time, several teams will be battery-only, field portable either from Montserrat beaches or scenic mountain tops. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, or mail to the operator's home callsign (SASE required). [N7UN / dx-world.net]

14/04/2012: Blackwood & District Amateur Radio Society (GW6GW) in partnership with the Candle Workshops based at Gelligroes Mill will commemorate the sinking of the RMS Titanic 100 years Centenary in 2012. Gelligroes Mill, where Artie Moore was the first land based radio receiver to hear the SOS signal from RMS Titanic. GB100GGM has been granted by OFCOM for this event. The event will start at 0000 AM 14th April thru to 1800 on the 15th April, 2012. There will be two stations in operation, CW and SSB, on all bands (SORRY NO PLANNED DATA). QSL via MW0LAO, direct or Bureau. [G0KOK]

15/04/2012: The Dover Amateur Radio Club will be running special event station GB2ICE, all day on the 15th of April, in honour of Jack Phillips Chief Marconi Wireless Operator aboard the RMS Titanic. Jack stayed with his key and perished with the ship (25yrs old). Activity will be CW only on the HF bands. QSL via G0KOK, direct or by the RSGB Bureau. [G0KOK]

16/04/2012: Wim, ON4CIT and Paul, ON4BEC will be active from the island of St. Barthelemy (NA-146, WLOTA 0377) as TO3X between 16-30 April, 2012. Look for them on 40-6m, mostly on SSB and RTTY with some CW. Six metre frequencies will be 50.120 MHz USB, 50.090 MHz CW and 50.200 MHz RTTY. QSL via ON4CIT, direct or Bureau. Website: www.dxpedition.be/TO3X.html [dx-world.net]

18/04/2012: Craig, VK8AS, has announced the he will be active as VK8BI from Bremer Island (OC-185) on 18-23 April, 2012. He will be running 400W into a Spiderbeam yagi for 10-12-15-17-20 on a 10m metre mast. Operation will be SSB only (although he will have the capability of running PSK31/RTTY at rare moments). OC-185 was last activated in 2004 for two days and prior to that in 1999 and is only claimed by 20% of IOTA program participants. A strong focus will be on North America and Europe. QSL via home call. Updates and further information at: oc185.blogspot.com/ [Pete at the DX-News-Desk]

22/04/2012: Franck F4DTO and Patrick F4GFE will be active as ZA100I from Elbasan, Albania, between 22-29 April, 2012. QRV on 40-10m SSB only, using Yaesu FT-450, dipole + vertical for 10m. QSL via F4DTO, Bureau or direct. No eQSL. [dx-world.net]

30/04/2012: Kay, JH3AZC, plans to be active from the Pohnpei Islands (OC-010), Micronesia, as V63AZ between 30 April and 4 May, 2012. QRV on HF bands using CW, SSB and RTTY; possible activity on 80m and 160m too. QSL via home call. [dx-world.net]

17/05/2012: A non-stop castle activity for the Belgium Castle Award is planned on Friday 18 May 1400 UTC till Sunday 20 May 1400 UTC. Members of UBA section ODE will activate Castle De Ghellinck (BCA ref. OV-032, WCA ref. ON-00364, WW Loc. JO10ST), Oost Vlaanderen Province, on all HF bands SSB & CW and on 2m FM & ATV via local repeaters, using the call OT7G/p. QSL manager ON5MA, via bureau preferred. [UBA HF News]

26/05/2012: Look for Jeff, N6GQ, to be active from the island of Rhodes (EU-001, GIOTA DKS-006, MIA MGD-028, WLOTA 0045) as SV5/N6GQ during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (26-27 May) as a Single-Op/All-Band/QRP entry. QSL direct only to his home callsign. [NG3K]

28/07/2012: Operators Robert DH8HD, Joachim DO3HJ, Olaf DL4HG, Andy DL7AT and Ralph DL3LED will be active as DA0T from Neuwerk Island (EU-127, GIA N-012, WLOTA 2311) from 28-30 July, 2012. Their main focus will be the RSGB IOTA Contest (28-29 July). QRV on all HF bands, CW and SSB. All QSLs will be sent via GlobalQSL Service submitted by DL7AT. [rsgbiota.org]

03/08/2012: Members of the Cape Ann ARA will be active as W1T from Thacher Island (NA-148, USi MA001S, WLOTA 0924, Essex County), Massachusetts, from 3-6 August, 2012. Team members include Rick WZ1B, Marie KB1TEO, Ted KR1G, Dave KD1NA, Kurt AJ1Z, Al N1QEH, John WA1JG, Marco KB1TZG and Jake K1LDL. They will also activate both lighthouses on the island - Cape Ann [Thacher Island South] (ARLHS USA-105, TWLHD WLH K-031, Admiralty J0276) and Thacher Island North (ARLHS USA-1027, TWLHD WLH K-167, Admiralty J0277). QSL via W1GLO, direct (QRZ.com). Logs will be uploaded to LoTW and eQSL. Website: caara.net/ [rsgbiota.org]

02/09/2012: Michael, DF8AN, plans to be active from Reunion Island (AF-016, DIFO FR-001, WFF FFF-011, WLOTA 1812) as FR/DF8AN between 2-10 September, 2012. QRV mostly on CW. QSL via home call, Bureau or direct. [dx-world.net]

29/09/2012: Look for Sig, NV7E, to be active from Nairobi, Kenya, as 5Z4EE in the CQWW DX RTTY Contest (29-30 September) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. He will also participate in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (27-28 October) and the CQWW DX CW Contest (24-25 November) as SOABHP category. QSL via NV7E, direct preferred but Bureau ok. [NG3K]

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SPECIAL EVENTS -

BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA
The special event station E720RS celebrates the 20th anniversary of the republic Srpska (Serbian republic in Bosnia Herzegovina, capital: Banja Luka) between 1 March and 31 December, 2012. QSL via the bureau. See also: http://www.hamradiors.org/ [DX Newsletter]

BULGARIA
Once again several special calls remember Bulgarian orthodox saints for one month each: LZ1818MOG January; LZ1401SET February; LZ1784SIB March; LZ1437MGS April, LZ907SKB May; LZ1515PSB June; LZ1822MIT July; LZ916ss August; LZ1737ssS September; LZ1814MIS October; LZ1620PPZ November; and LZ1500PNB December. QSLs via bureau. See also: www.balkanclub.org/awards.htm [DX Newsletter]

CANAADA
The special callsign CK975LC marks the 75th anniversary of the "Loyalist City Amateur Radio Club of Saint John" until 31 March. QSL via VE9MY, LoTW or via e-mail request to: morgakl[at]gmail.com See also: www.lcarc.ca/

FRANCE
The special callsign TM210VH is celebrating the 210th birthday of Victor Hugo until the end of the year. QRV on 40,20,17,15,12,10m. QSL via F4GFE (d/b). Website: www.qrz.com/db/TM210VH [DX Newsletter]

GERMANY
DQ0STRATEX is a special event call on the occasion of the stratospheric balloon project (StratexB) planned for March 2012 by the local DARC clubs Duelmen (N28) and Luedinghausen (N29). They plan to send an amateur radio load, consisting of

an APRS and a speach beacon, to the stratosphere with this balloon project. Another payload will be added by the HAMs of the German Aerospace Center (DLR) in Bremen (I04) with an experimental ADS-B receiver. The special event station DQ0STRATEX is active in all modes on all bands between 13 January, 2012, and 31 January, 2013, handing out the special DOK STRATEXB. They have two balloon missions planned, on Mar 10 around 0930 UTC and on Mar 24 around 1600 UTC, both starting on the airport at Borkenberge near Luedinghausen. The APRS beacon is transmitting on 144.800 MHz and the speach beacon in FM on 430.375 MHz. SWL reports are highly appreciated (also online). QSL cards via DK4REX. See also: www.darc.de/distrikte/n/29 [DX Newsletter]

09/03/2012: Members of the Council of Europe Radio Amateur Club (CERAC) and guest operators Volker, DL1WH and Dieter, DK5PZ will be active as TP8CE on 9-11 March, 2012. They will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on the HF bands. QSL via F5LGF, direct or Bureau. [425 DX News]

09/03/2012: In 2012 the Irish Radio Transmitters Society (IRTS) celebrates its 80th anniversary. As part of the jubilee celebrations the Society is organising an international radio contest, "CQIR - Ireland Calling", to be held from 12 UTC on 17 March (Saint Patrick's Day) to 11.59 UTC on the 18th. Complete details can be found at: www.irts.ie/ [425 DX News]

U.S.A. Special Events can be found at: www.arrl.org/special-event-stations

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LIGHTHOUSE CALENDAR -

09/03-??/?? FW/F1GHY: Uvea Island WLOTA:0389 QSL F1GHY (d/b)
09/03-26/03 HR9/DF8AN: Isla de Roatan WLOTA:1671 QSL HC (d/b)
11/03-26/03 CT9/DJ6QT: Ilha da Madeira WLOTA:0053 QSL HC (d/b)
11/03-26/03 CT9/DL8OBF: Ilha da Madeira WLOTA:0053 QSL HC (d/b)
11/03-26/03 CT9/RA1AGL: Ilha da Madeira WLOTA:0053 QSL HC (d/b)
11/03-26/03 CT9/RC5A: Ilha da Madeira WLOTA:0053 QSL HC (d/b)
11/03-26/03 CT9/RM2M: Ilha da Madeira WLOTA:0053 QSL HC (d/b)
11/03-26/03 CT9/RN3A: Ilha da Madeira WLOTA:0053 QSL HC (d/b)
11/03-26/03 CT9/UA1ANA: Ilha da Madeira WLOTA:0053 QSL HC (d/b)
11/03-26/03 CT9/UA9MA: Ilha da Madeira WLOTA:0053 QSL HC (d/b)
12/03-30/03 PJ2/DK5ON: Curacao Island WLOTA:0942 QSL HC (d/b)
12/03-28/03 S79NEN: La Digue Island WLOTA:3066 QSL DO5NEN (d)
12/03-28/03 S79NEN: Mahe Island WLOTA:3286 QSL DO5NEN (d)
16/03-18/03 DM50IOTA: Fehmarn Island WLOTA:0637 QSL DL2VFR (d/b)
16/03-20/03 JW2XNA: Spitsbergen Island WLOTA:0125 QSL LA2XNA (d/b)
16/03-20/03 JW8HGA: Spitsbergen Island WLOTA:0125 QSL LA8HGA (d/b)
16/03-23/03 S92DX: Ilheu Rolas WLOTA:1622 QSL K0KKO (d)
16/03-23/03 S9CW: Ilheu Rolas WLOTA:1622 QSL K0GUV (d)
16/03-23/03 S9SX: Ilheu Rolas WLOTA:1622 QSL K0KKO (d)

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6 METRES & UP -

- DXCC: EY; square MM48; start 2012-04-27 -

From 27-29 April, 2012 Frank, DL8YHR and Rene, PE1L will be active from Tadzjikistan via EME. Callsign not known yet. Locator will be MM48JN near the city of Dushanbe and Dushanbe airport. Frequencies: 144.134 and 432.090, EY will TX always first. They will be on N0UK logger. They are only 2.5 moonpasses QRV so do not miss them. Check the logger for last minute changes in frequency. More info on: www.emelogger.com/ey/default.asp?page=eme [MMMonVHF]

10/03-11/03 Idaho QSO Party 6m-10GHz included 10 1900z-11 1900z
10/03-24/03 5P5K: Romo Island EU-125 Grid:JO45 6m QSL DL7AOS (d/b)

10/03-11/03 9M2/JI3DST: West Malaysia 6m CW/SSB/FM QSL HC (b)
10/03-05/04 9Q6/ZS4U: D.R. Congo Grid:KI16 6m CW/SSB QSL K3IRV (d/b)
11/03 SKCC Weekend Sprintathon 6m CW Class 0000z-2359z
11/03-12/03 Wisconsin QSO Party 6m-70cm Classes 11 1800z-12 0100z
12/03-30/03 PJ2/DK5ON: Curacao SA-099 Grid:FK52 6m 10W QSL HC (d/b)
13/03 LY 432MHz Activity Contest CW/SSB/FM 1800z-2159z
13/03 NRAU 432MHz Activity Contest SO/MO/Open 1800z-2200z
13/03 RSGB 432MHz UKAC SO Fixed/Open 2000z-2230z
14/03 MOON Contest 432MHz CW/Digital/FM/SSB 1900z-2100z
16/03-23/03 S92DX: Ilheu Rolas AF-023 Grid:JI39 6m 1Kw + EME QSL K0KKO (d)
16/03-23/03 S9CW: Ilheu Rolas AF-023 Grid:JI39 6m 1Kw + EME QSL K0GUV (d)
16/03-23/03 S9SX: Ilheu Rolas AF-023 Grid:JI39 6m 1Kw + EME QSL K0KKO (d)

Contest Calendar: www.qsl.net/va3rj/con_mar.html

GOT6??? - Six Meter Information by Andy 'NEON' Sargent N8OFS at:
http://noars.net/got6/GOT6.txt (Updated 07 March, 2012)

Information about current VHF activities can be found on the VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: www.MMMonVHF.de/

SMIRK: www.smirk.org/
SOTA (Summits On The Air) Watch Alerts at: www.sotawatch.org/
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QSL INFORMATION -

The following operations have been approved for DXCC credit:

6O?M - Somalia - 2011 Operation
9U3TMM - Burundi - Reported as December 2011 and January 2012
AX/VK?TH - Macquarie Island - Current Operation
T6BP - Afghanistan - Current operation commenting in 2011
VK?TH - Macquarie Island - Current Operation

If you had this operation rejected in a recent application send a note to bmoore at arrl.org to have your record updated. Note, due to extremely heavy e-mail DXCC may not respond to your message. Once updated, this will be reflected in your LoTW account and/or in the live, daily DXCC standings on the website. (www.arrl.org/dxcc).

73 es DX!
Bill Moore NC1L
Awards Branch Manager

QSLs via Bureau: 3C9B, 3D2A, 5B/KI?BP, 5H3EE, 6V7Z, 6W1SE, 9U1KI, A52ATV, A92IO, BD7LHY, CE3BFZ, E4X, EA6NZ, EP3MJ, EP4HR, NH2B/KH?, OA1F, OX3KQ, PJ2/DK5ON, PJ4/PE2MC, PJ4L, VK8PDX, XX9TLX, ZD8N and ZD8RH.

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QSLs via LoTW: 4K6DI, P4?J, PJ2/WI9WI and XV3AA.
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LINKS -
IOTA (Islands On The Air) at: www.rsgbiota.org/

WCA (World Castles on the Air) at: www.wca.qrz.ru/ENG/main.html
WFF (World Flora & Fauna) at: www.wff44.org/program/wff/
WLOTA (World Lighthouses On The Air at: www.wlota.com/
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BITS & PIECES -

KH9 - Wake Island
WA2YUN is currently active from Wake Island and will be active another year or more as KH9/WA2YUN. He will be active on HF bands including 160 and 80m. He is aslo active on 6m. QSL via K2PF. [K1XN]

T30PY & T30SIX - Tarawa Atoll (OC-017), Western Kiribati
Press Release #1

We proudly announce a DXpedition to Tarawa Atoll, Western Kiribati, from Oct 16 t0 25, 2012, when two call signs will be used: T30PY for use from 10 to 160m and T30SIX on 6m. It is expected to have 3 stations running simultaneously on HF and one on six meters. The following modes will be used: SSB, CW and RTTY. EME on six meters may be possible, but not yet confirmed.

The team, at this time, is formed by the following Brazilian ham ops: Orlando PT2OP, Rick PY2PT, Fred PY2XB, Alex PY2WAS, Fernando PY4BZ, Jim PY7XC, Ciro PY7ZY, Miguel PY3MM and Marcelo PY1KN.

The DXpedition website will be launched in a couple of days at http://www.mdxc.org/t30py/, supported by the Mediterraneo DX Club. Considering the high cost of logistics, donations are welcome to help the team to support all related costs. There will be a donation button in the site, for which the donor may click and use Paypal to accomplish it.

T30PY/T30SIX Team

TZ5T - MALI - POSTPONED
We regret having to give bad news about the planned Dxpedition. The situation of civil war in Mali between the government and Tuareg is getting worse lately and, for safety reasons, the authorities do not issue licenses to radio amateurs who may be targeted because of radio equipment. For this reason the Dxpedition is postponed until a later date. [IK7JWY Pilot]

VK6YS/P - West Lewis Island OC-199 - Postponed
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73 and Good DX!
Dave Raycroft, VA3RJ
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